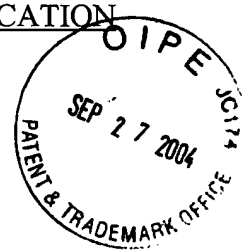


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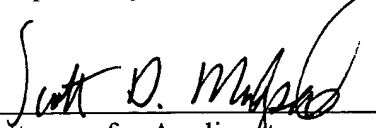
Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, attached to the Notice of Allowability mailed August 31, 2004, Applicants respectfully wish to file the following remarks.

Initially, with respect to Claims 10, 18 and 26, these claims recite the panel getter step is performed "between" another step and the seal-bonding step. In addition, Claim 20 recites that the voltage application step applies a voltage to the electron emitting device "subjected to the activation process," but Claims 21, 28 and 29 do not include such a feature.

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